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MEDIA ADVISORY

State Agencies, Local Communities, Railway to Hold Drill at the Wachusett Reservoir

WHAT:

The Wachusett Reservoir is an active drinking water source and a critical link in the metropolitan Boston water supply system. This exercise is designed to assess the coordination, communications and response capabilities of various agencies and community emergency responders who would be involved in a large scale rail incident at the reservoir.

WHO:

This exercise is a cooperative effort between the Department of Environmental Protection, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority, Pan Am Railways, South Wachusett Regional Emergency Planning Committee and the Department of Conservation and Recreation.

WHEN:

Thursday, October 15, 2015
8:00 am – 4:00 pm

WHERE:

Wachusett Reservoir, West Boylston
Press viewing availability at Gate WB19 (directions attached)

Directions to DCR Wachusett Reservoir Gate WB19 West Boylston (Media)

Coordinates: [42.386358, -71.789668](#)

From the Worcester area:

Take Route 190 North

Merge onto Route 140S via Exit 5 towards West Boylston

Bear to the left to remain on Route 140 after passing Watermark Antique and Gold (on your left)

Go over the bridge.

Gate WB19 will be the first DCR gate on the right after the bridge.

(Alternate route):

Take Route 12 North into West Boylston (passing WalMart and then Honey Farms on your right)

Remain on Route 12 straight through the set of lights at the intersection of Route 140

Take the first left (140) after passing under the railroad bridge and over the causeway

Stay on Route 140, passing the Old Stone Church on the left and DCR Headquarters (180 Beaman Street) on the right.

Gate WB19 is the first DCR gate on the left after passing DCR headquarters. (Approximately 0.1 miles. If you go over the bridge, you have gone too far).

